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# Creating the Building Blocks of Thriving, Equitable, and Resilient California Communities

Transformative Climate Communities

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## What We Do

Build thriving California communities through an integrated equity-centered approach to land use management and planning, community partnership and investment, climate research and multi-level resilience, and cross-agency coordination.

# History



**1970**

**Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) established by statute to:**

Lead comprehensive long-range planning, land use, and research statewide. Act as the lead agency of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**2008**

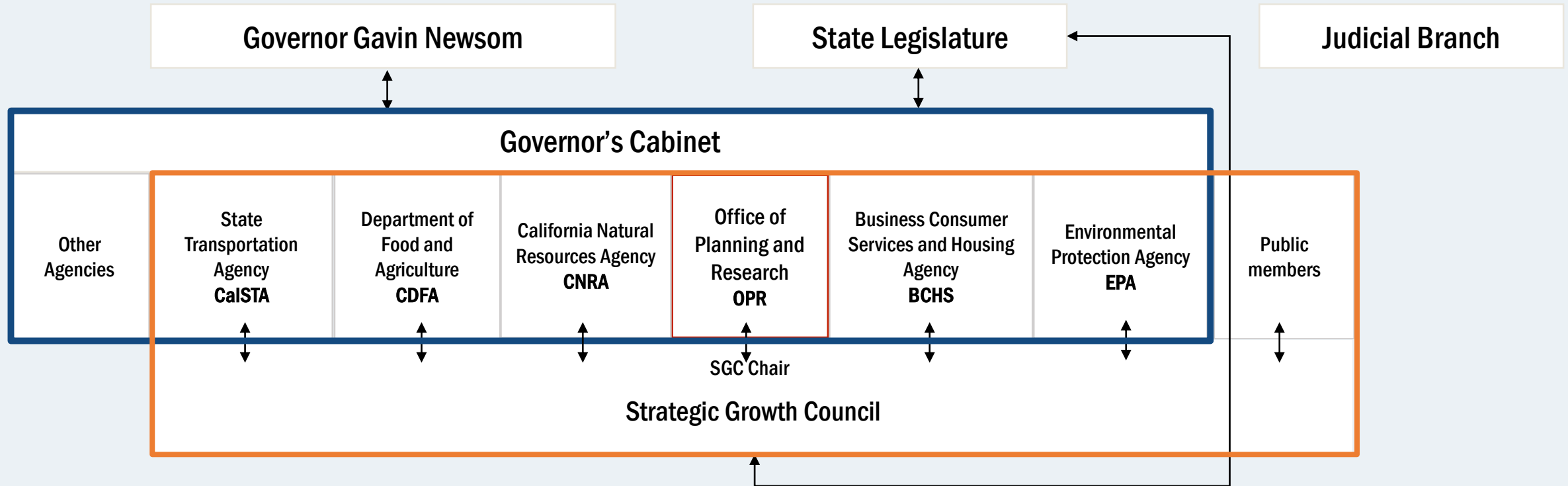
**California Strategic Growth Council (SGC) established by statute to:**

Coordinate programs and initiatives across cabinet-level agencies to advance California's climate, transportation, conservation, and equity goals.



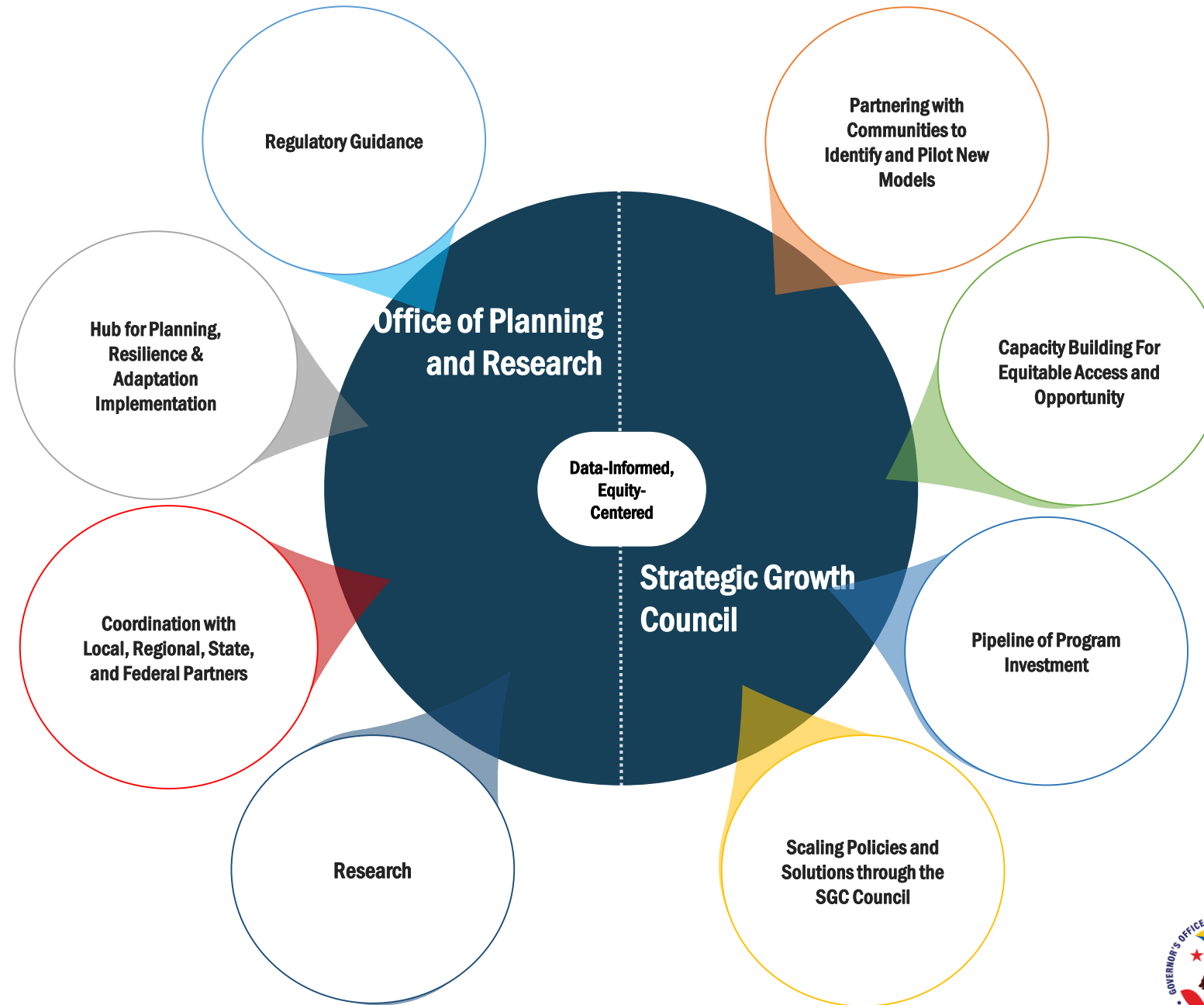
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# Overview



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# Approach



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# Land Use Management & Planning

SGC and OPR support local, regional and state partners in land use management, planning and policy, and implementation so that:



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Development activities and planning minimize environmental and health impacts and maximize proximity and access to opportunities and community benefits.

- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- High Road Economic Development
- Military Affairs Land Use
- Precision Medicine
- Health in All Policies (Health & Equity Program)

Housing, services, jobs, and other essential opportunities are accessible to all

- City and County General Plan Guidelines
- Regional Early Action Planning Grants
- Transformative Climate Communities
- Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities

Development patterns are efficient in order to conserve and protect California's agricultural and natural resources and reduce greenhouse gas emissions

- SB 743 Transportation Guidelines
- Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation
- Climate Change Research Program

# Community Partnerships & Investment

SGC and OPR partner and channel resources into communities to ensure equitable access to housing, transportation, and other essential opportunities and support communities in shaping planning and policy decisions.



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Housing is accessible and affordable, high-speed rail is the backbone of California's 21<sup>st</sup> century interregional travel, and robust first-last mile transportation options connect people to their daily destinations.

- Regional Early Action Planning Grants
- High Speed Rail Partnership & Community Development
- Transformative Climate Communities
- Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities

California's communities are empowered to organize and direct the development of their neighborhoods, cities, economic decisions and health policy, and can equitably access funding and other vital opportunities.

- Community Economic Development Fund
- Precision Medicine
- Health & Equity Program
- Regional Climate Collaboratives
- California Community Assistance for Climate Equity

# Transformative Climate Communities (TCC)

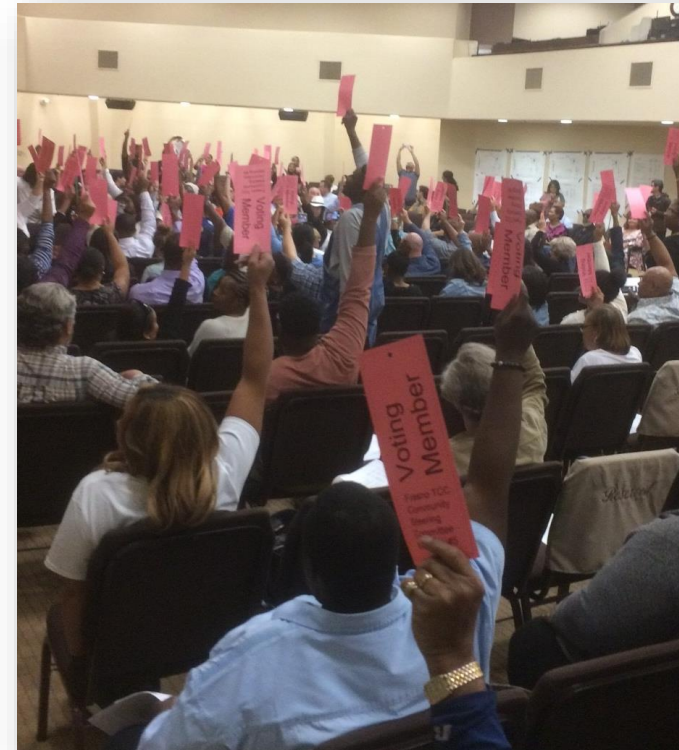
**Community-led transformation** to enable the California communities most impacted by pollution to choose their own goals, strategies and projects to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and local air pollution.

Total Investments: \$230 million





# 1. Collaborative Stakeholder Structure



## 2. Communities Design Multi-Benefit Projects

### Urban, Rural, or Tribal Resilience Infrastructure

- Transit Access
- EV car shares & vanpools
- Regional transit
- Active transportation
- Energy Independence
- Community microgrids
- Solar & energy efficiency measures
- Parks & Recreation Centers
- Indoor Air Filtration

### Workforce Development for Net Zero Economy

- EV Bus Maintenance Mechanic
- Solar & Energy Efficiency Installations
- Net Zero Building Construction
- Sustainable Agriculture





### 3. Substantial Award Amounts + Community Engagement = Transformative Leverage Commitments



The West Fresno Community College Campus was sited within the TCC Project Area in Southwest Fresno, as a result of the community engagement process. It leveraged \$15 M in TCC funding for urban greening to an additional \$70 - \$80 for a new college campus.

## 4. Builds Community Capacity Through Flexibility & Technical Assistance



TCC provides technical assistance resources to ensure participation of under-resourced organizations and residents – and moreover, capacity building.



## 4. Ongoing Evaluation



**UCLA Luskin's report found that when community has input and buy-in, investments are much more impactful in their communities.**



# Thank you.



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